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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7234**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1346

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 8, 2011

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Tax Liens for Property Cleanup.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Neese

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** ☒ **GENERAL**  
☐ **DEDICATED**  
☐ **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill permits a county, city, or town, after successfully bringing an action to abate a nuisance, to abate the nuisance itself or hire a contractor to abate the nuisance. It provides that if the county, city, or town is not reimbursed for abating the nuisance, the county auditor may place the unpaid amount on the owner's property tax statement and collect the unpaid amount as taxes are collected.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2011.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:** This bill would allow a county, city, or town to recover the costs of removing a nuisance by, if necessary, including the cost in the property tax bill of the owner. Under current law, the costs of removing a nuisance from property may be recovered. This bill specifically permits a county, city, or town to recover such costs from the owner. If the owner fails to pay the bill within ten days of its receipt, the county, city or town is authorized to include the bill in the property tax bill of the owner. The recovered funds would be deposited into the general fund.

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** Counties, Cities, Towns; County Auditors.

**Information Sources:**

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